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EDITORIAL.

HAVE WE ANY REASON TO BE SMUG ABOUT OUR FIRST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS?

Those of us who go along to the Commencement Ceremony on Friday night are certain to hear speeches outlining the progress made by the College since it took its first unsteady steps back in 1930.

It will probably be pointed out that the student population has increased fairly steadily from the 34 in 1930 to the 456 (inc 90 non-exam) in 1954. We'll be told that the academic staff has grown considerably, that we now have eight professors and umpteen lecturers. Students may complete degrees in Arts, Commerce and Law, and receive guidance in work for Master's degrees. We'll hear that the College has been the first Australian University to establish a course in Australian Literature, that we are consolidating a Department of Oriental Languages, that plans are afoot to provide Chairs in a number of subjects that now have only a senior lecturer. The Library and Common Rooms will also rate a mention. No doubt it will be greatly lamented that the College has had to beg on bended knees for every penny it has spent.

As we will hear this on Friday, Woroni is not going to give a history of the College.

We, the Editors, are satisfied that the College HAS made CONSIDERABLE progress in these early years, and are confident that it will continue to advance in the future.

We, too, are somewhat aggrieved that the powers-that-be refuse to regard the College as anything but the National University's poor relation.

We join the large band of well-wishers this Jubilee Year in patting the authorities on the back for their past achievements, and in hoping the College will expand even more in the years ahead.

However, we feel there are one or two things that spoil the general picture.

DATES: <u>BALL</u> this Thursday 14th.

<u>CEREMONY</u> - This Friday 15th.

<u>REVUE</u> - This Sat., next Mon. 16th and 18th.

Students' Assoc. <u>GENERAL MEETING</u> -Next Thursday 21st.

Next Tuesday 19th.

The most important of these is the lack of initiative displayed in regard to full-time students. Elsewhere in this issue there is a letter from one of the students, pointing out that very few lectures are delivered in the day. The Editor believes the fulltimers do have grounds for complaint in this matter.

Here are the facts. There are eight or nine full time students. Tiring of attending a night school and anxious to enjoy the same services as offered in larger Universities, they have this year banded together. College authorities (Mr. Keith) and Lecturers were approached quietly; the full timers asked if it would be possible to arrange lectures in the day. The reactions to these queries were varied. Mr. Keith was willing to aid the students if possible. Mr. Gibson of the Philosophy Department was extremely helpful, and his two full timers have all their Political

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Philosophy lectures in the mornings. Professor Hope was willing to repeat English <u>III</u> lectures to the two who could come in the mornings; both he and Dr. Kramer have been most obliging as far as English III is concerned; yet the English <u>II</u> student, though given a daytime tutorial (to ease a timetable clash) has still to attend night lectures with the remainder of the class. The Law Department will not duplicate lectures, but hold a number of midday classes; Mr. Goldie has offered to give additional lectures further to explain difficult points. Because of personal circumstances Professor Clark has not yet been able to give an answer. Professor Scales flatly rejected the suggestion.

It is with the Modern Languages Department and the College Council that we quarrel at the moment. We feel that in refusing to organise day lectures for his students (two in French II, three in German 1) the Professor has not shown the proper responsibility his position demands. Particularly, we are disappointed by the tone of his reply; it was not that of a man who has the interests of his students at heart.

The College Council or whoever is responsible for extending the University should we feel, realise :-

- (1) That lecturers in bigger universities have to deliver both day and evening lectures.
- (2) That lecturers at the College are paid a similar wage to deliver only night lectures.
- (3) That the full time students are not asking that new lectures be prepared. They ask only for the repetition granted in Sydney and Melbourne.
- (4) That this College will never have a spirit, will never be a University as we understand the term, without a large full time body.
- (5) That we can never hope to attract full timers till we provide day lectures.

We feel that the tendency to cry "Progress" in Jubilee Year should be counterbalanced by the knowledge that it has taken twentyfive years for the full time body to grow to nine.

- The Editors.

The next Woroni will discuss another complaint of the fulltimers, the lack of a cafeteria. As this also affects part-time students, we want you to give us your opinions.

Comment on todays editorial is welcome - we'll give a year's free subscription to anyone who writes to the Editor.

DON'T FORGET THE REVUE :

SATURDAY AND MONDAY.

BOOK NOW AT SAMSON'S.

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S.R.C.

Nominations for positions on the S.R.C. closed last Thursday. As late as Wednesday night the only nominations received by the Secretary were :-

As Arts Representative : Wendy Cromer, Chris Penders, Tim Ellis, John Carroll, L.H. Dalton. As Commerce Representative: John Robinson, Bill Thorne, Wendy Cromer

John Carroll, L.H. Dalton. As Law Representative : John Carroll, Ian Alexander. As Non-Faculty Representative: Bill Thorne, John Robinson.

No one had nominated for President.

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The Secretary was expecting several last-minute nominations, and appeared confident that there should be sufficient for a full S.R.C. with President. He added that a decision on the method of election would be made as soon as the final number of candidates was known.

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We have received some criticism for the poor quality of the typing in the last issue of Woroni. We readily admit this fault, but in apologising would like to make it known that we were not entirely to blame. We didn't know till Monday that an issue was wanted for Tuesday, and so had to get it typed as best we could in one helluva hurry. We'll do better in future.

The Students' Common Room is a sacred ground, taboo to the Academic staff.

Come, come Professor Arndt you're the only one of the army who's in step; all the other lecturers go the long way round for their cuppa.

LITERARY COMPETITION.

Entries have closed for this year's competition and are now being judged by Professor Hope. The winner will be announced in the next issue of Woroni. A number of entries were received for the poetry section, but the S.R.C. were disappointed with the general response.

Woroni will print some of the entries in future issues, and may invite criticism.

The College Executioner is anxious to have the head of the irresponsible person who left a new stove turned on one night last week. The temperature had reached 700° before anyone was aware of trouble. We are fortunate that we still have a College at all. The College authorities, the S.R.C. and Woroni appeal to all students to be careful with electrical appliances. This applies particularly to the radiators in lecture-rooms. We don't want another fire!

We've heard a whisper that the professor of Oriental Languages was not amused to find his new tricycle missing from the parking area last week. Appears that Queen Mab was on the job again.

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Aren't you glad we're not printing an article on Churchill's retirement?

While we're talking shop, it could be pointed out that the constitution of the Table Tennis Club provides that an Annual General meeting be held "during the month of March". It wasn't. Here the guilty people appear to be the office-bearers: Gordon Low (President) John Brook (Vice President) Malcolm Yell (Secretary) Dennis Edwards (Treasurer).

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This week's bouquet goes to T. Inglis Moore for a series of excellent lectures in Australian literature. How the Senior Lecturer in Pacific Affairs (an ex-S.M.H. leader-writer, by the way) comes to be gabbing about Henry Kendall and Marcus Clarke is something we needn't worry too much about; what is important is that Inglis Moore does a very good job in this new field.

He's a man with a sound knowledge of, and love for, Australia and Australian literature, and has the happy knack of bringing to the lecture room some of his enthusiasm. Under his treatment the too-long neglected Australian literature springs to life again. The students breathe the fresh air of the country, not the close, dark atmosphere of Milton's study.

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It is refreshing to hear a lecturer who is also a critic, and one whose opinions demand respect. Those in the class appreciate his methods of considering Australia's literature primarily as <u>literature</u>, and secondly as Australian. The proper critical balance is thus kept, and the lecturer is not drawn into echoing the rather absurd claims of "Nationalist" critics.

Lecture notes are issued to all students who are thankful for not having to do the normal dictation test twice a week.

All told, Inglis Moore is to be thanked for some very attractive lectures.

If only he wouldn't say that so-and-so's poetry has often been "anthologised"... or that such and such a writer's work suffered from "longorhea"...

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Did anyone else hear that a (more-or-less) unknown character spread sugar all down one corridor last Wednesday night?

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College Tennis Tournament at what used to be the Northbourne Club courts this Saturday and Sunday afternoon. All welcome.

We will try to print Woroni each fortnight throughout term. This will only be possible, though, if we can attract "outside" contributions. We are also short of staff. Would any student prepared to help with the writing and organising please contact the Editor? You will find him in the Common Room at teatime on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and at lunchtime on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

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WELCOME

Another academic year has begun and we welcome a new complement of freshers to our University.

This year promises to turn out a continuation of last year's successful enterprise among the student population, and it is the earnest desire of the Students' Association that this should be so. Already we have had a most successful Orientation Week and Sports Night at the College. From all present indications sport should reach an all time high in the College, under the leadership of Sports Council President Lloyd Melhuish and Secretary Duncan Ironmonger. All of last year's teams will be fielded and several new ones are mooted for this term.

University clubs, more than usual in number, are making special drives for increased memberships and expanded programmes this year. Most of them have already drawn up attractive programmes for their activities.

The College Revue, well under way, promises in all ways to equal the spectacular presentation of 1950.

Commencement this year will be brighter than ever and should be accompanied by one of the best balls in the history of the College.

All in all 1955 promises to be one of the brightest and best years in the history of our College. It is in this spirit of optimism that the S.R.C. and its office-bearers welcome you all to the College - new students, old students, newly appointed staff and our old friends and mentors.

May 1955 be your most enjoyable year.

JOHN EDWARDS. S.R.C. PRESIDENT.

SPORTS UNION ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Sports Union was to have been held on Monday of last week but had to be deferred because of :-

- (1) No attendance;
- (2) No Treasurer;
- (3) No financial statement.

Now the Treasurer has given an assurance that the last two failings are being taken care of; it remains for <u>you</u> to see that the first (and most important) one is too.

The annual meeting of the Sports Union is now to be held on Tuesday, 19th April.

Remember that the Sports Union is charged with providing for all sport within the College and last year spent well over £100 - so the meeting is important. We'll be looking forward to seeing you.

TUESDAY 19th APRIL AT 8 P.M. IN THE STUDENTS' COMMON ROOM.

LLOYD MELHUISH. PRESIDENT, SPORTS COUNCIL.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

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Sir.

As a full time student of the College, I would like to take the opportunity of protesting against the lack of consideration shown to us by most of the academic staff. The general feeling seems to be that as there are only about eight of us all together, our wishes and needs are unimportant.

The main cause for complaint is the distribution of lectures. In previous years, when the full time student body was even smaller, all lectures had to be taken with the part time body. There is absolutely no reason why this arrangement should be considered a precedent! Yet the majority of the lecturers absolutely refuse to give daytime lectures, from pure disinclination to do extra work. Now why, when they are employed on the same basis as lecturers in Sydney and Melbourne, can't they provide the same service as elsewhere? What does it matter how few of us there are - we are full timers and should be treated as such!

In particular I would like to mention the lack of co-operation in the French Department, even though there are two full time French II students. We can sympathise with a lecturer's unwillingness to hold forth to a single person, but when there are two or more there is no excuse.

However, the Psychology Department is to be commended as one of the few willing to co-operate in giving some (though not all) of our lectures in the day-time.

Another point to be noted is that most of the few lectures we do get in the daytime are <u>tutorials</u> anyway. I think it is disgraceful that most of us have to come, every night, and the least number of nights someone has to come is three.

Come on Staff let's have some co-operation !! It's about time this College became a proper University!

> Wendy Cromer Arts II. (Full Time)

Dear Sir,

With the notorious insolence of elected persons, the Editor of this journal is already indulging in a typical Evatt-McCarthyist smear campaign. He has been foisted on us by a small clique which unfortunately has a majority on the present S.R.C., and now, under pretence of instituting a free editorial policy, but in fact egged on by hismasters and in particular by an accomplice, that notorious Orangewoman Miss Wendy Cromer, has published a series of lies about myself.

This was only to be expected, as not only am I a well-known supporter of industrious groups, and an originator of the movement for industrial gripes, but I am opposing Miss Cromer in the coming S.R.C. elections. Nevertheless, I must categorically deny: (i) that I have any S.R.C. money;

(ii)that I have pinched any S.R.C. money;

(iii) that I have pinched Valerie Edwards;

(iv) that Valerie Edwards has been pinched for complicity in the embezzlement of £40 from the Book Exchange.

Trusting that with your well-known lack of moral principle you will not cavil at publishing this scurrilous attack.

I remain,

John L. Carroll.

(Delighted to print it, Mr. Treasurer. Didn't we promise to publish any such nonsense? One point, though. If you haven't any S.R.C. money who the heck has? - Ed.)

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THE COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY - FRIDAY. College Hall. Conferring of degrees and award of prizes. To be attended by Governor-General and the Prime Minister. Supper to follow.

THE REVUE - THIS SATURDAY AND NEXT MONDAY 8.15 in the College Hall. Specially organised for Jubilee Year. Tickets at 5/- and 3/-. Box plans at Samsons, or at the door on the night.

NEXT WEEK:

REVUE ON MONDAY.

SPORTS UNION ANNUAL MEETING - TUESDAY 8 p.m. in Common Room.

STUDENT'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING - THURSDAY 8 p.m. in Common Room.

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WANTED - Copies of Woroni, all issues from Adam to 1954. Also Nos. 4/1954 and 10/1954. Can you help?

WANTED even more urgently - articles for Woroni.

'Bout time C.U.D.S. had a general meeting.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

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In the editorial to this issue you appear to say that over the years a vicious circle has developed :

> There are not enough fulltimers because there are not enough day lectures; and there are not enough day lectures because there are not enough fulltimers.

If you agree that this is not the whole story, that there are other reasons why there are not enough fulltimers, then your point is a sound one.

Clearly, the present position only hinders expansion. If there is to be an increase in the full time body, this particular circle must be broken.

Breaking the circle is not the students' task, although they may be willing to help in any way they can. They are here to study. No one can reasonably expect them to look after College expansion, and probably no one does.

It is the Council, and possibly the academic staff itself, that should act. Hence, I gather, your suggestions that these bodies take steps to institute day lectures wherever possible.

So long as you approach this matter with caution and in the the spirit of co-operation shown by several of the lecturers concerned, you have my active support.

Yours etc.,

D.G.Edwards. Arts.

(As a first step we may raise the question at the annual general meeting of the students' association on Thursday of next week. In the meantime we are anxious to hear from others. Members of the old S.R.C., those nominating for the new S.R.C., and all 500 students are asked to write to Woroni. --Ed.)

Let's see if we can get some positive plans for improving the College in Jubilee Year.

On behalf of the students Woroni extends a welcome to all who are visiting the College for the Silver Jubilee celebrations.

We mourn for Jack, a damn good mate who one dark night got home too late.

Woroni is the newspaper of the Canberra University College Students' Association. No one seems to know who authorises or types it. The College duplicates it. The students, through the S.R.C., pay for it. Woroni is priceless.

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